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5.  I called Jack Leahy, of State Department's Congressional Relations office, about the Senate Foreign Relations Committee action today on Senator Case's bill on the Radios. Leahy said that in an unexpected move the Committee reported out the original Case bill (S. 18) which will provide for funding of the Radios for one year through the State Department. He said the Department had hoped that the revised Case bill (S. 1936) would be reported, but they still hope the House Foreign Affairs Committee will report the bill in the revised form and that it will be accepted in conference. 25X1

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9. [ ] Called Frances Henderson, Administrative Assistant to Senator Clifford P. Case (R., N.J.), to make an appointment with the Senator in response to a question he raised in a letter to Secretary of State Rogers of 27 May 1971. She said she understood what this was about-- in fact they had discussed it in the office yesterday. She said she would let me know when the Senator was available.

John Marks, Executive Assistant to the Senator, called to say that the Senator would not be able to see Mr. Helms this afternoon. I explained my call had been to make an appointment for myself to see the Senator since I was handling the matter for the Director. I said Marks might want to remind the Senator this subject had been discussed by the Director at a session of the Foreign Relations Committee on 23 March 1971 at which Case was present. Marks disputed this, saying that the discussion at that time concerned Thai troops in Laos. I said I had checked the record and could verify from the record that the Newark Star Ledger story by Michael Morrow had been discussed on 23 March, and quoted excerpts from the transcript, explaining that the Director's answers to questions about this story had been off the record.

Marks asked if I knew about the State Department letter, saying he understood the Director himself was coming to see the Senator. I said I knew about the letter but the Director asked me to handle the matter since it was something with which I was familiar. After some discussion about fixing a time for me to meet with the Senator it was agreed that unless I heard to the contrary I would meet him in his office at 5:00 on Wednesday, 28 July. I added that I would discuss the subject only with the Senator alone. Marks said he had "the clearances." I said he did not have clearances for this matter which concerned Agency operations and which, per ground rules laid down by our Committee chairmen, we discussed only with appropriate Members themselves. 25X1

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Mr. Thad Murray, Executive Assistant to Senator William Spong (D., Va.), called to say he had had a phone conversation with Frances Knight, of the State Department, regarding a proposed passport design developed by one of Spong's constituents which our technical people had examined and commented favorably on from the standpoint of being difficult to alter or duplicate. I explained that our technical people had been in touch with their contacts in Mrs. Knight's office to confirm this judgment and Murray indicated he thought the matter was satisfactorily closed.

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